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DECISION ON PETITION

In re application of

Tony M. Pokorzynski et al.

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Filed: May 7, 1998

For: Fiber-Reinforced Vehicle Interior Trim And

Method Of Manufacture

This is a response to the PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT, filed June 18, 2004. The petition requests that the abandonment, as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment of November 25, 2003, for failure to timely reply to the Board of Appeals decision of September 10, 2003 be withdrawn. The petitioner asserts that a Request for Rehearing under 37 CFR 1.97(b) was timely filed on November 10, 2003.

DECISION

The instant request is accepted as a petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181 (no fee), and is evaluated under the procedures regarding a Petition To Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based on Evidence That a Reply Was Timely Mailed or Filed.

Upon further review of the Office's records, it is shown that the above mentioned Request for Rehearing under 37 CFR 1.97(b) was timely filed on November 10, 2003, a copy of which is present with the application. Therefore, the Notice of Abandonment is withdrawn and the application will be forwarded to the Board of Appeals for processing and consideration of the Request for Rehearing under 37 CFR 1.97(b), which was timely filed on November 10, 2003, and a copy of which is provided as an attachment to the instant petition.

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The Petition is **Granted**.

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